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***May the Force be with you.***

**Master Maji**

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## ***Jedi Manifesto***

*This part can be very boring, but it is necessary. Jump to the Introduction for the teachings to begin.*

*Enjoy! - Master Maji*

***The following is a comparative parallelization between the Star Wars Jedi***

*religion/philosophy and already established theologies, philosophies and traditions throughout the world - past and present - that establish the Jedi religion and philosophy portrayed in Star Wars as, in fact, an already established sovereign path pre-existing in nature/behavior.*

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Throughout time, many have heard of the possibility of Awakening - Enlightenment - in which they were drawn to the aspect of coming to a Knowing, a 'place' that encompassed all, yet was utterly free and unchanging, where all states of being, all worlds, all experiences, would be within this, not visa versa. As such, one could act fully in this world or any other; yet remain in this unchanging 'state' ceaselessly.

If one were to become more familiar with various paths and traditions throughout history, he would conclude that some paths reached their goal while others came up short. George Lucas' **Star Wars** Jedi embody the aspects of the "complete path." Not only could a Jedi attain/recognize this Knowing in himself, through the Force alone, but the Force also emanated through the Masters what the dream or veils are and how they were created for a specific individual. The ways of the Jedi demystify the illusion in a way that the mind can understand and has no choice but to 'give up the ghost' (illusion). This is common in multiple traditions.

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## What is Jediism?

Jediism is a philosophy held within a multitude of paths, found in a variety of scriptures and traditions thousands of years old, though not referred to as Jediism. Its basic teaching is that our real nature is of the Force. The Force is a Jedi's innermost being/sanctum, an underlying reality that exists in every being,

as well as within all creation throughout the entire Universe. Religion for a Jedi is therefore a search for this reality known as Self, a search for not only the Force within but a communion with it and its entire connection to the Universe as well. A Jedi does not need to be "saved." At worst, a Jedi is unaware of his true nature within the Force. Therefore, a Jedi seeks knowledge and wisdom to resolve his ignorance.

## **Right and Wrong Conduct**

All ethics are merely a means to the end of finding the Force and flowing with the Force within themselves. "Right" action is action which brings a Jedi nearer to the knowledge of the Force and a Jedi's wisdom within the Force. "Wrong" action leads a Jedi away from that knowledge, having him live in ignorance. A Jedi's idea of "good" and "evil" are therefore only relative values and must not be used as an absolute standard by which one judges himself or others. A Jedi realizes that everyone has his own problems and his own path of development, including himself, in understanding the ways of the Force innately as a living truth, not an imitation of that truth.

## **A Jedi's Practice**

Religion is a matter of experience. One's religion must become a heartfelt realization that their true nature is spiritual, that they are one with the universal

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spirit. The Jedi call this "the Force." Jediism stresses the idea of self-effort equal to Vedantic practices. Jediism encourages everyone to realize the Force within and throughout the entire Universe by certain methods, which channel the tendencies one already has. The ideal is for a Jedi to practice "The Four Ways to the Force," again, much like the Vedantic practices:

**The First Way:** The inner emotion of inner devotion to the Force, also known as unconditional love. In Vedantic, this is known as Bhakti Yoga.

**The Second Way:** The use of discrimination, discernment and reason in approaching enlightenment. This path makes strong use of the mind. It is the way of the Jedi to go beyond the visible Universe. In Vedantic, this is known as Jnana Yoga.

**The Third Way:** A Jedi fulfills his inner spirits innate need to apply itself to the Force's will without attachment to reward or accolade. A Jedi is content with peace of mind, and peace of spirit, yet he harnesses the natural desire to be productive for the Force's will. In Vedantic, it is known as Karma Yoga.

**The Fourth Way:** A Jedi practices the ways of meditation. It is the soul of all the Ways to the Force. The emphasis here is in controlling the mind through concentration and meditation. It is also known to be the psychological way to union with the Force. In Vedantic, it is known as Raja Yoga.

None of the "Four Ways to the Force" asks you to give up your reason and put it in the hands of the priests.

## **Comparative Behaviorism of Jediism**

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The following is a broad outline of what exactly resides in the tradition of the Jedi:

The goal is Full Realization and to be a pure vehicle for the Force (Divine) in

whatever It is willing.

Having the same Knowing in Awakeness through any state or on any plane - waking, dream or deep sleep, this world or any other - the same. This is also known as **Turiya** or fourth state.

This is also akin to **Sahaj samadhi** as shown by Ramana Maharishi. Sahaj samadhi is also referred to as 'the natural state.' This is similar to the ways of the **Jataka**.

This is also the goal of true **Tantra** and of various Buddhists paths: Dzogchen, Zen ...

Jediism can bring one to this Full Knowing/state of Perfection/utter Surrender/Love.

Jediism teaches how one can live in That - the Force - ceaselessly and act in the world as a vehicle of and for the Force (Divine).

Jediism teaches the workings of the mind and the mastery of the mind.

Therefore, Jediism teaches every aspect of the illusion (maya); all possible paths are contained in this.

With this, Jediism teaches all paths, from the perspective of *what keeps one from the Force (Divine); that is, our veils*.

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The Ways of the Jedi teach all paths from the perspective of *what draws one to the Force (Divine)* - **Bhakti Yoga, Jnana Yoga, Karma Yoga, Raja Yoga,**



***Pranayama Yoga, true Tantra, simple remembrance ...***

The Ways of the Jedi teach the highest goal of the highest paths, but what a being can learn is infinitely more.

The Ways of the Jedi teach how to work with the illusion to assist others, ultimately, in Awakening.

Jediism offers one who desires to learn the ability to use the wisdom that comes from his Awakening in service to the Force (Divine), to assist others in their Becoming/Awakening - from wherever they are or whatever their path might be.

The Jedi Ways teach the mastery of all paths.

This is taught through Truth. Not from a single tradition but from ***Sanatana Dharma*** - the Eternal Religion/Truth. Also, similar to the ways of the ***Jataka***.

The Ways of the Jedi teach the ***Middle Path***. For example, one of the teachings is that shame and pride are opposites of the same energy. The Middle Path is the mastery of that energy so one is free from both.

The Ways of the Jedi teach how to act from the highest in every aspect of life, down to the smallest detail.

Jedi Masters teach that one's presence in the Force (Divine) is of unconditional Pure Love, which they live and teach with every word and action.

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The Ways of the Jedi teach one to fight with two swords Love/devotion and

Wisdom/discernment.

The Ways of the Jedi teach Unconditional Love, Truth, Selfless Service, Purity of Mind, highest Integrity, how to Honor and support Self - the Force - in all beings

The Ways of the Jedi - religion/philosophy - have everything. Powers, miracles, anything any Avatar, Saint or Sage, has done - anything anyone has ever done in that way - reside in the Jedi religion. But none of that matters. It is not the goal for a Jedi. The Jedi religion gives so much more. Anytime anyone comes to know the Force, the light within them flares up. The Jedi religion teaches how to *maintain* one's connection with the Force (Divine). It is the Jedi himself doing the Path, letting go of what keeps him in illusion. Whatever a Jedi learns, he learns forever. In this way, his life is forever changed.

## Conclusion

I have taken the representation of the Jedi and traced it back to its origins and re-created what its foundational teachings would be. Even though George Lucas acquired his knowledge of the cosmology primarily from Joseph Campbell, I based my conclusions upon the Jedi Manifesto premise, thereby having construed, deciphered and constructed the Jedi Teachings. With the roots of the Jedi and their conveyed teachings being established as authentic, then the path/religion/philosophy of the Jedi are as real as any other established religion, such as Dzogchen, Zen, Jatakamala, Kashmir Saivism, Sanatana Dharma, Vedanta ...

So, with this established, if you are inclined to be a Jedi, publicly or secretly within your heart, do so. It is real in nature. It is real in essence. It is real in context. It is real in you, as you.

***So, with this established, let's begin with ... The Jedi Jewel***

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## **Dear Reader:**

Any good teacher will attempt to create an appealing setting to access internally what he/she is attempting to convey so that those who he is attempting to share his knowledge with will understand and gain insight. For this very reason, I placed the Jedi teachings and philosophy behind the Jedi in a semi-fictional context to create a personal relationship between the reader (Jedi aspirant) and the Jedi teachings in an engaging atmosphere. Even though the presentation is metaphorically fiction, the teachings are not.

### ***The Setting***

In many cultures, the sacred and wisest of teachings are found in repositories of one form or another, whether it be The Dead Sea Scrolls, Shiva lingams of some Hindu sects, or oracles handing down knowledge person-to-person. Likewise, the Jedi (Sith, too) have crystal repositories known as "holocrons." The holocron becomes activated by a 'Force-sensitive' being, revealing a hologram of the essence and spectral of a Jedi Master who imparts knowledge. But this is a specially designed holocron, known as The Jedi Jewel. The Jedi Jewel unfolds the teachings and philosophy to assist you in becoming true Jedi.

Of course, my goal was to take the Jedi and their philosophy and return them to their origins (where Lucas derived the Jedi) – from truth to fiction and back to truth, full cycle as it were.

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**In the Force,  
Jedi Master Maji**

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# INTRODUCTION

Imagine ...

... a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away, you were a 'Force-sensitive' like Luke Skywalker, but had no one to teach or guide you in the ways of the Force, due to the Jedi having been systematically exterminated by the Emperor's own Darth Vader ...

Imagine ...

... at one time, the few remaining Jedi were guided by the Force to create a special designed Jedi Holocron – a crystal repository – known as *The Jedi Jewel* that would hold the timeless teachings of the wisest Jedi Masters throughout history, so that the legendary, mystical teachings wouldn't be lost forever, because they knew the Force would resurrect itself in another, to guide the Jedi

of the future ...

Imagine ...

... *you* were the Chosen One. The One the Force chose to resurrect this new order of Jedi, knowing that knowledge and wisdom are the Jewel of the Jedi.  
What would The Jedi Jewel teach you?

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## A Time of Change

The Demise of the Jedi

&

the Rising Force

Chosen One . . . we are the Jedi Masters that remain on the Jedi Council.

You have been chosen by the Force to transmit the lineage of the Jedi teachings and the ways of the Force, for a future generation of Jedi, that are strong in honor and valiant of heart. Though your life may seem epochal, your destiny has been chosen and the path is steadfast and clear, as deemed by the Force. Where we have failed, you will succeed ...

Though there are disruptive changes in the galaxy for at this moment, the Force has chosen you to assist in quelling the forces at hand by bringing forth a new destiny for the Universe ...

In our time, not so long ago from yours, the galaxy changed ...

We could feel it in the depth of space as we traveled as peacekeepers for the Galactic Republic. We could feel it in the suns, moons and planets. We could smell it in the air as we breathed in the Force to fill our beings with its presence.

Much that once was, has been lost, for few live now that know the Force ... who remember it ...

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Our plight began long ago, before you were born, with a man who everyone throughout the galaxy trusted. He presented himself as a mild mannered servant for the public good. His demeanor was subservient and he continually professed the limits of his abilities. His name was Supreme Chancellor Palpatine. He always cited the best interests of the Republic, leaving very few to ever question that he did not have the welfare of the Republic at heart. But, in truth, he deceived us all ...

He forged in secret, a hidden regime called the Sith, who were in allegiance with the dark side of the Force, and he was their leader, known as the Dark Lord of the Sith. He undermined the Galactic Republic within its own



regime, using its flaws against itself. He consistently built his own power, luring not only commercial powers, but governmental ones as well, through the temptation of greed. He clouded the lines between good and evil on all levels, affecting everyone throughout the galaxy, especially the Jedi.

Danger for all waited in every breath ...

He wanted to control the entire galaxy. Into the Sith he poured his cruelty, his malice and his will to dominate all life throughout the galaxy through the dark side of the Force. One of our own, a Jedi by the name of Anakin Skywalker, turned to the dark side. It was then he became known as Darth Vader. Together, they ruled the Empire, exterminating those of us who would not comply and turn to the dark side ...

The Republic, along with what few Jedi were left formed an alliance. But the power of the dark side could not be undone. It was in this moment, which all

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hope had faded, that the few Jedi left, hid where the Dark Lord and his own Darth Vader could not find them, in hopes that they would return once again ...

Knowing our demise, and knowing the nature of the Force, we knew that the Force would bring forth another Jedi, chosen to bring a new order into being. We were concerned that some things that should not be forgotten and lost, would; concerned that the history of the Jedi would become myth: concerned that the knowledge of ways of the Jedi would pass out of awareness. We knew, when a new bearer of the Force would come, that the light bearers known as the Jedi, would venture forth, claiming the Force's presence throughout the Universe.

You, as the Chosen One, are a nameless fear that the dark side trembles upon ...

You are the Force's seed to balance ...

Rise to the occasion, Chosen One. It is now your time ...

And, we are here to assist and guide you. You are not what the dark side intends to succeed. You are the Chosen One for good reason, yet unknown to you. The time is soon to come when the Jedi will be resurrected and will shape the fortunes of the entire galaxy through knowledge, peace, serenity and the Force.

Remember, Chosen One,

The hands of evil cast shadows of inner turmoil on the innocent and the oppressed. It is we, the Jedi, the Force has chosen to protect the innocent and

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the oppressed. We became instruments of a fate that began during a tyranny unlike anything ever known. There will always be evil, but there too will always be the Jedi. It is now your destiny, to guide and lead those who are to become the future Jedi ...

**May the Force be with you, Chosen One.**



## Inner Calling

**AS THE CHOSEN ONE**, you will need to understand how the Force will guide one to you to be a Jedi, or guide you to the Jedi candidate. Though we have rarely had Apprentices who were not of six months of age or less, we did pull this information up from the archives of the ancient Jedi Masters.

First, you must understand that each being will have their pre-prescribed journey, as guided by the Force. Each Jedi will have an inner calling in looking for some sort of inner fulfillment. They will be looking for real answers. They will want to make right wrongs. They will be searching or seeking other destinations or environments. They will feel separate from others, different. This calling

usually comes to each Force-sensitive potential Jedi in the form of a herald. Usually it is either a person or an event that catapulted them into a different reality of existing, prompting their quest to begin. It is not just a *thought* or a *yearning* anymore, but is playing as an active participant in the quest. This is a very special and exciting time for anyone in this position. Often, though, they will not even recognize that the hand of fate ~ the Force ~ was at work. The “event,” which will seem quite ordinary to them, was in fact the turning point that pivoted them into a world of the intrigue and mysticism of the Force.

This leads to the next aspect ...

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## ***A Jedi's Path***

REALIZE THAT, JUST as it has been for you, it has been for all Jedi, and will be for all future Jedi as well, that a Jedi eventually enters into life's labyrinth, or doorway into the *unknown* ~ the 'unknown' meaning the unraveling of one's own inner obstacles or dark side. In doing so, a Jedi gains the deepest and richest wisdom of all ... unconditional love.

To do so, a Jedi must negotiate a soulless maze of dimly lit opportunities in receiving knowledge that transforms and aids him or her on their quest. Many times, these labyrinths are filled with dark and hidden emotions, which the dark

side can manipulate if they are not dealt with. A Jedi is always confronting his own character alone, discovering that his first enemy is, in fact, himself ~ his own dark side. Only when a Jedi has conquered this, will he be able to take on a Padawan. Otherwise, the Padawan can manipulate his Master with the Master's own illusory self, and the fears lying within its perceptions. Only through a Jedi living life's challenges according to the Force can he gain a deeper understanding of the Force and himself.

This then brings us to the ...

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# ***the Jedi***

THE TASK OF BEING a Jedi Knight/Master is indeed difficult.

One cannot teach without a direct command from the Force. Future Jedi won't listen to you if you teach without such authority. Such teaching has no Force behind it. One must first of all attain wisdom through discipline or some other means, in understanding the innate presence of the Force. Thus armed with authority from the Force, one can guide and lead in humbleness and humility as the Force guides him.

There was once an insignificant tenant here on Coruscant who, along with a big intimidating landlord, was engaged in a lawsuit. People realized that there was a powerful man behind the tenant. They thought perhaps *another* big landlord was directing the case from behind. Jedi themselves are insignificant creatures. They cannot fulfill the difficult task of guiding another in becoming a Jedi without, receiving the power to do so from the Force itself.

***The mystery of what propels and compels  
life into existence  
is not a problem to be solved.  
It's a reality  
to be experienced!***

## Jedi, Be Who You Are!

ONE OF THE MOST difficult tasks of all is for a Jedi to *be* who he really is. A being may never talk about goodness and never think that he wants to be “good,” yet everything he thinks, says and does comes forth out of goodness, because he himself *is* goodness! A being doesn't think about what he is; nor does he feel it; simply because he is what he is! He doesn't need to speak about it; everything he thinks, says and does is in alignment with the expressions of what he is, the manifestation of his own *being*!

The same is true of a Jedi. He doesn't have to speak about it. He just knows that everything about him knows and is something different than the rest of the world. And that is his connection in the Force. But can he live in the outer world as a Jedi?

One of the most difficult tasks of all is for a Jedi to *be* who he really is. He must concentrate *on himself*. First, *he must reflect and consider* what he is, and finally *he must be* what he is!

You, Chosen One, have to become conscious here in relationship to the Force and the Universe as a whole. You have had to leave your outer life and



enter into your intellect and feelings. Such is the way for, as yet, many who will come to you. So far you have only been able to *think* and *feel* what you are, but

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you have never been able to *be* what you are! Observe the beings throughout the galaxy and you will see that *they are not their real selves*. On the contrary, they are always identifying themselves with thoughts, feelings and roles they are playing. This is not wrong, but it is not useful for those who are Force-sensitive. The Jedi who will come to you, will have been prompted to suppress their Force abilities and senses. They, as you, will have fallen from their connection with the Force, becoming pretenders, forcing themselves to play make-believe as if they were not Force-sensitive. But the Force will not remain latent. When it wants to be known, it *will* be known. This is what the first Jedi Masters of ancient found. Only in the eyes of very small Force-sensitive children can you still see the sparkle - the innocence - of the Force flowing through them. As his intellect awakens, a child begins to identify himself with his outward person, getting more and more removed from his connection with the Force, and his true self. And all the while, the person, as we think about him, is only a mask through which his spirit as a Jedi – the invisible being – looks out at the world. At this point, a Force-sensitive being cannot be more than an instrument for the manifestation of the Force. But, as a Force-sensitive being is so attached to not being who they really are, an anointed being of the Force, they cannot free themselves from the pretend life, which is suppressed in denying the Force, just to fit in. The Force in a Force-sensitive being is master; the being himself is only a servant. But through time you will find, just as it has been for you, others who renounced their Force connection, remaining separate from their true identity. They are forced to exile their true identities into the *unconscious*. The intellect causes this separation, and by means of concentration exercises and a purposeful effort to become *conscious and aware of the Force*, the intellect can be an instrument by

which you and your future Jedi can get out of this separation and back to your true identities and purpose as Jedi.

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In the past, you have concentrated on various things. From now on, your one and only task is to concentrate *on yourself*, progressing through the three phases of concentration until you achieve complete identification with your own true identity with the Force, until you really *are* a Jedi as the *Force wills*. It is your task to reach the state of being that can only be described, in the first person as: "*I am the Force.*" But watch out! It's not enough for you to *think* what you are, nor to *feel* what you are; you must *be what you are in your own true inner being, and resonate with what is symbiotic with you through the Force!*

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***Jedi are the guardians of peace in the galaxy.  
Jedi use their powers to defend and protect,  
never to attack others.  
Jedi respect all life, in any form.  
Jedi serve others rather than ruling over them,  
for the good of the galaxy.  
Jedi seek to improve themselves  
through knowledge and training.<sup>1</sup>***

**TO PREVENT STUDENTS** who were still getting established in their conviction to the light side from being seduced by the dark side, the ancient Jedi Masters created the Jedi Code. It has been taught through every Jedi Master/Padawan relationship throughout Jedi history. As each Jedi masters aspects of the code, he shares his knowledge with his fellow Jedi ~ Apprentice, and Master, alike.

The Jedi Code provides simple guidance for living in harmony with the Force. It is imperative that a Jedi never use the Force to gain wealth or personal power. Instead, a Jedi uses the Force to attain knowledge/wisdom and enlightenment. Negative emotions,

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such as anger, fear, aggression, and hate lead to the dark side. It is because of this that a Jedi is taught to act only when he is at peace with the Force; to do otherwise can compromise one's judgment.

Whenever possible, Jedi are encouraged to seek nonviolent solutions. A Jedi should act from wisdom, using persuasion and counsel instead of Force powers and violence. Jedi are trained that living with a virtuous and auspicious character is far superior than living by the powers gifted by the Force. It is only when a Jedi uses supreme wisdom with the Force that the true power of the Force is effective and long lasting. When all else fails though, or when one will have to save a life, a Jedi must at times resort to aggressive negotiations ~ battle ~ in order to resolve a particularly obstinate situation. All situations require different solutions and all solutions are different in accordance to the situation. Thus, Chosen One, it is necessary to live in meditation and one-pointed focus on the Force. Though combat may sometimes be the best answer, it should never be the first option explored by a Jedi.

A Jedi draws upon his connection with the Force, allowing the Force to flow through him willfully. This is how a Jedi can detect disturbances in the Force. Because of this connection, Force-users not only feel, but also fully sense, the disturbance and the inertia behind the causation. It will feel like a ripping or a tearing, creating intense emotions that rush through a Jedi's being, such as when the life of the planet Alderaan was being extinguished by the Death Star and was felt by Jedi Master Obi-Wan Kenobi. There are other disturbances associated with a situation that will spur a Jedi to a place or a situation where he is needed. This aspect and manifestation of the Force is innate for a trained Jedi. For those who are Force-sensitive with this sensitivity, it

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can make one feel anxious, confused, panicked and even experience a sense of inner terror.

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# **Path Within the Jedi Code**

**THE JEDI CODE** has been taught to every Jedi who has ever lived, since its inception 25,000 years ago by the original ancient Jedi Masters themselves. They created it in order for the integrity of a Jedi's character to be maintained. Yet it was not limited to this. It also set a primus in which other Jedi knew what to expect from one another. It helped establish a bond between fellow Jedi. Each knew what to expect from the other. It developed an arena in which trust could be not only established, but nurtured as well; especially since the Force itself is all about connection, what better than to connect with each other. Such a rare opportunity!

Here at the temple, the Jedi Code is one of the first things that a Jedi Apprentice learned. The younglings would meditate at great length on the Code, deciphering its hidden meanings as well as its purpose in a Jedi's life. The Code is meant to serve a Jedi and bring peace into his inner being when all else seems chaotic ~ if he allows it to. A Jedi Apprentice repeats the Jedi Code over and over and over again, allowing the words to seep into his bones. He allows his life experiences to provide many opportunities for him to master them. Remember,



Chosen One, allowing the Force to guide you in gaining its wisdom allows you the greatest teacher of all. But that's just the beginning. It will be life's tests and trials that will 'cure' them and show that they do indeed prove true. These are the ways of a Jedi, which will be studied in great depth in the future.

## Code Within the Code

**AS YOU WILL FIND**, even though the Code can be quite direct and clear, it may be very difficult to put into practice. The Universe is constantly changing, but the Code does not. It maintains itself throughout time, for it was designed to be in adherence to the Force, not to the external changes. Although a Jedi's ideal is to understand thoroughly the secrets lying within the Force, it is impossible without the aspect of praxeum - putting the ideal to a test by accepting that the Force will present situations to test your resolve. Typically, the Universe does not afford a Jedi to contemplate/meditate before there is a need to act.

The Oath of the Jedi lies within the Jedi Code. Once a Jedi Knight/Master accepts a Padawan, the Padawan/Apprentice takes the oath as part of the

initiation. It goes like this:

***I swear to the Force to be loyal and true to its destiny for me.  
My heart knows only virtue.  
My lightsaber defends the oppressed.  
My might upholds the tyrannized.  
My words speak only truth.  
The Force that runs through me undoes the wicked.***

A Jedi, if he has applied himself to the Code and the Oath of the Jedi, will instinctively respond to situations due to his constant focus and effort on the

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Force and the Force's greater virtues he holds within him. Since the inception of the Jedi, the Jedi Masters recognized that there are characteristics necessary to imprint upon a Jedi's being, in order to be of great service. They are called, ***Jedi Auspicious Character Traits***. Which leads us to venturing into the traits ...

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# Jedi

# Auspicious Characteristics

**IT IS UP TO EACH** and every Jedi as to what character and impression he wishes to leave imprinted upon this Universe and the Force. If he is to fulfill his destiny as a Jedi, he will want to know the 'auspicious and superior traits of a Jedi's character. They are as such ...

- A Jedi is humble.
- A Jedi is willing to let others go ahead of him.
- A Jedi is courteous.
- A Jedi has good manners stemmed from humility and concern for others. •
- A Jedi is good-natured.
- A Jedi is calm.
- A Jedi is always inwardly acknowledging the wonder he feels for the Force and the life from which it generates.
- A Jedi is willing to give another credit.
- A Jedi lives honestly with life, never seeking a false life.
- A Jedi wishes no ill on anyone.
- A Jedi believes in himself and in others.
- A Jedi is obedient to the will of the Force.
- A Jedi does not indulge in dramatic expositions.
- A Jedi is loyal.
- A Jedi is courageous.
- A Jedi realizes every situation has a different solution as willed by the Force.
- A Jedi does not curse life.
- A Jedi honors his physical existence.

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- A Jedi does not over-indulge.
- A Jedi lives life in full integrity.

- A Jedi knows what is enough.
  - A Jedi can cheerfully do without.
  - A Jedi is willing to look within himself to find error.
  - A Jedi is true to what he believes.
  - A Jedi is gentle.
  - A Jedi is able to make decisions and to act on them.
  - A Jedi is reverent.
  - A Jedi carries on his teaching activity.
  - A Jedi is willing to take the blame.
  - A Jedi does not have to prove anything.
  - A Jedi is content within himself.
  - A Jedi honors his paranormal Force-given talents.
  - A Jedi is dependable.
  - A Jedi is aware of danger.
  - A Jedi is certain of his right to be here.
  - A Jedi is certain of the right of others to be here.
  - A Jedi is aware that the Universe is unfolding as it should. •
- A Jedi is generally serene.
- A Jedi follows the Jedi Creed.
  - A Jedi follows the Jedi Code.
  - A Jedi laughs easily.
  - A Jedi can cry.
  - A Jedi is all right with himself if another wins.
  - A Jedi's happiness for another's happiness is sincere. •
- A Jedi's sorrow for another's sorrow is sincere.
- A Jedi has no hidden agendas.
  - A Jedi is not in want.
  - A Jedi makes use of what the Universe provides without inhibitions. •
- A Jedi honors everyone.
- A Jedi pays attention to detail without becoming obsessed. •
- A Jedi is conscientious.
- A Jedi values everyone.
  - A Jedi is optimistic.
  - A Jedi is trustworthy.
  - A Jedi is patient.
  - A Jedi knows the value of silence.
  - A Jedi is peaceful.

- A Jedi is generous.
  - A Jedi is considerate.
  - A Jedi is fair.
  - A Jedi is courageous in the face of fear.
  - A Jedi is clean.
  - A Jedi is tidy.
  - A Jedi does not shirk his duties.
  - A Jedi expects things to turn out well.
  - A Jedi is always seeking to benefit others in some way. •
- A Jedi's presence has a calming effect.
- A Jedi is not attached to material things.
  - A Jedi is not attached to situations.
  - A Jedi sees obstruction as opportunity.
  - A Jedi sees opposition as a signpost for deep reflection and evaluation. •
- A Jedi sets a good example.
- A Jedi is peaceful at heart.
  - A Jedi takes thought for the future, but not at the expense of the present moment.
  - A Jedi always feels he has enough.
  - A Jedi has good manners.
  - A Jedi obtains nothing by force.
  - A Jedi obtains everything by the will of the Force.
  - A Jedi does not become obsessed about others' mistakes affecting him. •
- A Jedi has greatness in spirit.
- A Jedi accepts that there are no accidents or coincidences within situations occurring, and that everything is happening in perfect order as willed by the Force.
  - A Jedi is clear-headed.
  - A Jedi does more than his share without attachment for acknowledgement.
  - A Jedi is selfless.
  - A Jedi knows to look to the Force to find strength in the face of adversity. •
- A Jedi meets life as if it is the Force itself.
- A Jedi rests when it is time to rest; acts when it is time to act. •
- A Jedi feels no bitterness or vendetta.
- A Jedi is forgiving.
  - A Jedi does not pretend to be what he is not.
  - A Jedi is not cynical.
  - A Jedi studies, contemplates and applies the wisdom of the Force. •
- A Jedi reveres all Jedi Masters – past, present and future.

- A Jedi is inspiring.
- A Jedi nourishes nature.
- A Jedi leaves things or situations better than he found them. •
- A Jedi does not make a show.
- A Jedi practices goodness.
- A Jedi is simple.
- A Jedi's intentions are always beneficial for the whole.
- A Jedi is a wellspring of determination.
- A Jedi does not boast.
- A Jedi produces long lasting effects.
- A Jedi has endurance.
- A Jedi has vigilance.
- A Jedi is flexible in his thinking.
- A Jedi does not overreach himself, except where the Force has guided. •
- A Jedi does not strive foolishly.
- A Jedi is consistent.
- A Jedi lives a simple life.
- A Jedi promotes purity.
- A Jedi nurtures his good qualities and virtues without attachment. •
- A Jedi is sensitive to his inner prompting with the Force. • A Jedi exists in the present moment.
- A Jedi feels no break with time or space.
- A Jedi is cautious.
- A Jedi is kind.
- A Jedi holds his duty to the Force in his mind, allowing no opposing thoughts to enter and as a result of natural law, is compelled inexorably to the Force's destiny for himself.
- A Jedi seeks enlightenment.
- A Jedi asserts discrimination and discernment as needed. • A Jedi knows what is real to what is unreal through the Force. • A Jedi is careful of his words and actions, knowing he is reflected in them. • A Jedi does not use false flattery.
- A Jedi depends on the Force for his inner peace.
- A Jedi feels secure.
- A Jedi knows the truth of his existence.
- A Jedi does not judge others, but patiently observes.
- A Jedi realizes that there is nothing but the Force to understand and gain wisdom from.
- A Jedi does not strive for wealth, fame, popularity or possessions. •
- A Jedi does not complain.



- A Jedi turns back immediately having discovered that he has strayed from the path of a superior person.
- A Jedi lives every moment in the act of self-renewal of Spirit with the Force.

A Jedi knows that only by living as a constant birth of self-renewal in the Force can he continue to the height of his potential with the Force.

<sup>1</sup> *Star Wars Encyclopedia*, Stephan J. Sansweet, Del Rey Books, 1998

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Also, my personal thanks to George Lucas for following his dharma, and sharing with the world something worth living and following - Jedi. Namaste.

***May the Force be with you.***

**Master Maji**

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# **The Force**

**The Mystical Nature  
of the Force and the Jedi**

**NEXT SHALL EXPLAIN** to you the laws on which the Jedi ways and the Force are based. These are, of course, simple laws of nature. The Force is present everywhere and the emanation of its presence is manifest in the visible, material world as natural law. Therefore, nothing can happen outside of natural law. Yet these laws differ from one state of development to another.

Different laws apply to the spiritual, the mental and the material world. And in the material world, the ancient Jedi Masters found different laws at work in one and the same form of matter, depending on the magnitudes involved. For example, it is a law of nature for the surface of a body of water at rest to be horizontal. But this law is valid only within certain magnitudes. A drop of water in the calyx of a flower has a spherical shape and a microscopic being living in this miniature world would come to the conclusion that water always has a spherical shape. Why? Because the relation between the surface tension of water and the power which forces water into the horizontal is very different in a drop – that is, in a small quantity – from what it is in a large body of water. And yet, the same laws are at work.

Beings know very little about the laws of nature, with the exception of those they have experienced in daily life. They have become accustomed to

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these and call them “laws of nature.” And having found names for them, they believe their effects as a matter of course. But when they are suddenly confronted by some phenomenon they know nothing about, they immediately speak of ‘miracles’ or ‘magic.’ Yet, for a Jedi, these are laws of the Force, and

the understanding and interaction with these laws are called the ways of the Jedi.

People do not realize that these forces are no less laws of nature than those to which they have become accustomed and think they know, even though they haven't the vaguest notion about their true character. For the average sentient being doesn't know why a plant will grow from a seed or why a new being will evolve from an impregnated cell. Neither do they know what 'insemination' really means and why, after insemination, the cell will divide and subdivide. They have no idea why this subdividing process is repeated again and again, not even stopping at birth, going on and on until a full-grown individual has developed out of that one single, first cell ... then going on still until this chain reaction slows down by itself and gradually gives way to a decline. But, since people experience this daily, they take it for granted and aren't the least bit surprised by it. Still, the growth of a plant out of a seed, the birth of a child, death, the different effects of the winds blowing from different directions, and many other experiences of everyday life are just as 'miraculous' as the effect and the secret of the Force and the other 'miracles' and the 'magic power' of the Force and the Jedi.

For you to truly understand the forces used by the Jedi and applied through the Force, you will first have to learn a number of things.

When we spoke about the knowledge of dualities, you learned that everything that has taken on material form, is visible and perceivable only because it has manifested from the formless to the form. A Jedi perceives this

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relationship in perfect order and union with the Force. It is naturally in perfect union and perfect equilibrium in the Force. But from this state of conjunction, everything tends eternally to return to the formless. 'Equilibrium' means

complete repose, motionlessness. On the other hand, 'to have become something' – that is, to have taken on visible, tangible form – is identical with the formless state. It is the Force in constant movement, and incessant unrest. Should this constant motion cease, even for only a moment, all creation throughout the Universe would suddenly be transformed into energy, that is, materially transmuted, enfolding within the Force.

All energy, all the forces of the Universe, are movements which emanate from one point – their own center – and radiate in circular waves in all directions, manifesting themselves as vibrations or oscillations. These manifestations of the Force cease only when the forces within the Force that have gotten out of balance regain their primordial state of equilibrium ~ union with the Force. Hence, when we speak of the 'primordial state,' we mean the state in which all material phenomena have ceased to exist. In its true essence, matter, too, is motion, and if this motion comes to a stop, matter must necessarily cease to exist. As long as the material world exists, its immutable law is that of unrest, of movement, and constant change.

The fact that the Force exists on each and every level of innumerable possibilities means there are countless different wavelengths, waveforms, and frequencies. And as long as we are in the body, with its limited perceptive ability, we can perceive only a certain number of these waveforms because our organs of sense are limited. Whether some form of vibration appears to us as 'immaterial energy' or as solid 'matter' depends upon our own idea and the impression of something which is basically nothing but 'movement', 'vibration', 'frequency'.

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The shorter the waves in which a form of energy manifests itself, the less our

awareness records a sensation of matter will be. To the vibrations that are transmitted directly to our consciousness by our organs of sense, we give names according to the sensations we feel: matter, sound, electricity, heat, taste, smell, light, etc. The still higher, immaterial energies and radiations, perceptible only by means of our brain and nerve centers, we call thought waves, idea waves. Beyond them there are still higher, more penetrating rays and frequencies, all the way up to the very highest all-pervading frequencies of the Force: *life itself!* The ancient Jedi Masters, through centuries of studying and contemplating the Force, identified these frequencies as states of consciousness. But they have also studied and contemplated these as electromagnetic energy fields, identifying objects, people, creatures, building structures, etc., without actually seeing them.

So, throughout the Universe, countless varieties of vibrations are at work, ranging from the shortest to the longest wavelength. Every form of creation, beginning with the celestial bodies and ranging all the way down to the tiniest monocellular creature – all the myriad manifestation of creations, are the effects of various forms of these rays. We live in these various rays whether we know it or not; even more, *these forms of energy have built and formed us as sentient beings* and are constantly at work in our body, our mind, and our entire being. A Jedi recognizes this as truth, because he is constantly connecting with these rays. He is constantly feeling these rays. The whole Universe consists of these various vibrations. The source of these vibrations we call the Force.

All living forms have some level of the Force flowing through it emanating itself as life. It is the Jedi, though who have exceptionally high levels of awareness with the Force giving them the ability to communicate and listen to the Force so it can reveal its will. When a Jedi's mind is quiet and clear, he can hear

the Force speaking to him. The higher one's awareness is of the Force, the

greater the potential he has as a Jedi.

The Force stands above all manifestations of life and rests in itself in absolute equilibrium, without time and without space. But it is constantly radiating itself out into material forms, in order to give these forms life. As the Force fills the entire Universe, everything that is in the Universe is penetrated and filled by the Force. Nothing can exist without being in the Force and without the Force penetrating it, as the Force is present everywhere and nothing can displace or dislodge it from its own existence. Consequently, every point offers a possibility that the Force may manifest itself through it, and everything that exists in our perceptible world carries this point as its own center within itself. From this point began its first manifestation, its creation, its equilibrium.

This aspect of the Force creates the material world and gives it life by penetrating, compelling, propelling it, that is, the actual life in us as Jedi and in all creatures throughout the Universe.

The energies radiating from the center are still highly spiritual and of the highest frequencies. But the farther out they radiate from the center, the more material they become ... until these radiating energies are gradually changed into matter.

In this way, the radiating power of the Force limits itself, and at the edge of manifestation farthest removed from the center it becomes a hard, material rind or crust. Yet, the electromagnetic field will radiate past the crust, much like a flower can be seen in its physical manifestation, as its fragrance radiates forth.

All living forms, from the central suns throughout the galaxies down to the monocellular beings, are built according to this principle. Imagine a cross-section of the planet Alderaan. In the center, the mighty forces are still in the



evolutionary state of the fire circle. Next come the gaseous regions, then those of the molten or liquid circles, and the outer form is the rind of hard matter. Yet, there is another opposing force –centripetal force – also active at the same time, drawing all material manifestations inward toward it. And if hard matter were not sufficiently resistant, all manifestations of life would be drawn into their own centers and disappear. Even Alderaan, with all the forms of life upon it, would suffer this fate. The resistance of matter prevents this from happening, and only for this reason is it possible at all for creation to exist and life to have come forth here on this hard, material crust of the Alderaan – the inner core’s paradise. Do not forget the resistance of matter, because it shall be mentioned again.

Here is another example to illustrate the inner structure of material forms: a section through the spinal column of any vertebrate shows the same construction, the extremely fine substance of the marrow of the back bone carrying the creative power of the life, developed and protected by the hard crust of the bone. Whatever bone you cut – be it skull, vertebra or leg bone – you will find the same cross section.

If you cut the stem of a plant, you will come upon the same pattern. Have you ever looked at trees after they have fallen? The inner structure of the tree is exactly the same: radiating from the center are circles of vital energy, fed by the finer matter of the tree’s innermost substance. The annual rings reflect the yearly radiation of life in the tree that takes place every spring, surrounded and protected by the outer ring of hard bark.

*Growth always starts from the center and radiates outward. The innermost source of all powers and manifestations is the Force. Likewise, a Jedi apprentice starts learning from within at his center and radiates outward, allowing the source of all existence to emanate.*

This aspect of the Force is clothed in matter and makes living sentient beings out of created forms, drawing us as Jedi back into our own center, listening to the inner voice of the Force. One should never mistake one's connection with the Force for the personal 'I', which, in itself, has no true existence.

Although the same Force is everywhere present in every living form, it has manifested itself in countless different variations, because the Force appears as life *on every single level* on which manifestation is possible and the created forms manifested on these various levels reveal only as much of the Force as each form *can consciously experience and bear of the Force, corresponding to a Jedi's level of awareness to the Force. To consciously experience the Force* means *being* the Force and simultaneously radiating it in all directions, including into one's own body. For this reason, the body, too, must have an adequate power of *resistance*; otherwise the radiations of the Force would burn and destroy it. This is also why a Jedi gains the jewel of a Jedi known as wisdom. It exists to buffer, or modulate the Force and a Jedi's ambitions with the Force.

Bodies of the various manifestations of life are not made in the same way. On the contrary, the matter composing them is of different degrees of resistance, corresponding in each case to the level of consciousness of the manifestation of life concerned. *The chemical composition of matter determines which vibrations a body can support.* When a body is subjected to radiation in excess of its resistance, its entire system is harmed, and can lead to a nervous breakdown and even to mental derangement. This is why the Jedi training can appear to be tedious. When the number of vibrations of this force exceeds the scope of an octave, the Force becomes lethal even to a Jedi. This is why, when a Jedi is initiating into a higher degree of transmission of the Force, he must first prepare

his body, subjecting it, among other things, to a chemical process, in order that the difference will not be more than one octave at the most. Otherwise he dies.

In the material world, there are four levels of manifestation, which are called matter, vegetable life, animal life, and sentient life, depending on the outward appearance and the degree of consciousness attained. Compared with the sentient being, we can hardly speak at all of the 'consciousness' of matter, and yet a crystal may serve to show that matter, too, has a sort of consciousness. Each level of manifestation of life is characterized by its own degree of consciousness, which is one octave removed from the next. The sentient being has the power to manifest several degrees of consciousness, all the way up to the Jedi level. If we keep in mind the intervals – octaves – by which the ancient Jedi Masters classified levels of evolution, we find that sentient beings, as a category, occupy four steps of the great ladder of evolution reaching from matter to that of the Jedi Illuminata; furthermore, each step corresponds to one octave on the scale of vibrations. The ancient Jedi Masters knew about these four steps or degrees and gave them names: *sentient being*, characterized by his intellect; *Padawan/Apprentice*, characterized by intuition; *Jedi Knight*, characterized by his wisdom and universal love; and the last and highest degree, that of the *Jedi Master*, characterized by his Enlightenment and attainment of the Jedi Illuminata, knowing the omniscience and omnipotence of the Force.

Thus, in the material world, the ancient Jedi Masters also identified seven octaves of vibration.

Every living form emits the vibration of which it is made; that is, those that it *consciously* supports. *Matter*, the very lowest degree of consciousness, manifests itself only through contraction, cooling off, and hardening.

The *plant* manifests itself on two levels; the material level and the level of Force – vegetable Force – that gives life to it. The plant manifests material vibrations unconsciously; it carries its body like a garment, but its level of consciousness is the vegetative level of the Force, giving life to matter. The Force manifested on this level has three distinctive aspects by which it can be recognized wherever it appears: the search for food, the taking in of food, and the assimilation or digestion of food.

The *animal* manifests three forces, the material, the vegetable and animal. It has a body, it seeks out its food, eats and digests and is conscious on the animal level: it has emotions, instincts, urges, feelings, sympathy, antipathy and desires. The animal is conscious in the third developmental stage, only one degree lower than sentient beings.

The *average sentient being* stands one octave of vibrations higher: he is conscious on the mental level. He has intellect and the ability to think. But at the same time, he manifests the three other levels. On the material, he has a body; on the vegetable, he seeks out his food, eats it and digests it; on the animal, he has emotions, drives, sympathy, antipathy and desires. But his most outstanding characteristic is his intellect. Sentient beings think consciously.

The next degrees of development have a higher level of the Force flowing through one's being, respectively. In fact, Chosen One, you will find that with a higher amount of the Force flowing through a sentient being, his abilities and awareness make a great jump: he is able to lift his consciousness out of the world of *effects*, into the plane of *causes*. He draws on the Force of the causal plane and manifests the Force that appears in his consciousness as intuition.

With the help of his intellect and the Force, he is able to express his experiences of a higher awareness in words and transmit them to his fellow beings. He can

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also prove the existence of his intuition in other arts: without dimension, in music, as a composer; in two dimensions with lines and colors, as a painter; in three dimensions with forms as a sculptor or as a dancer. People call the creative being a *genius*. But for the Jedi, this is where he begins. It shows potential for a greater destiny. At this point a Jedi is a Padawan/Apprentice. He is able to manifest the five octaves of vibration of the material, vegetative, animal, mental and causal forces.

The degree of consciousness of the next higher octave of vibrations, in the language of sentient beings, is called that of a *prophet*, but for the Jedi, it is a Jedi Knight. The prophet or Jedi Knight manifests all the forces that work on the previously mentioned planes of consciousness, but he is also conscious on the next higher level too, the plane of wisdom and universal love which rests within the Force. We must be careful never to confuse this universal love, which is manifest on the sixth plane and is complexly the power of the Force, with the 'love' of the third - animal plane - which is the manifestation of animal instincts. This latter 'love' is a vibration operating three levels lower, the source of which is the urge to propagate the species. Such 'love' is desire for possession and always, only, seeks the body. It forces a person to come close to the loved one, and embrace, kiss and hug him or her – in a word – to possess.

Whoever is subject to this kind of love is still living his consciousness in the condition of dividedness and separation, and seeks a complementary physical partner in order to find satisfaction. This love always seeks to *take*, to *have* something, to *possess*. Love in the sixth plane of manifestation within the Force is the love of a prophet. It does not come from a condition of division, but from

the primordial condition of *unity*! Hence, this love is universal, always *giving*, never taking; it needs no supplement, no physical manifestation, but always radiates from the consciousness of the Force's *all unity*. Sentient beings

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that are conscious of this plane – prophet/Jedi Knight – do not want to possess anybody; they feel themselves one with the Force.

The seventh and most perfect manifestation of the Force is the *completely conscious being*: the Jedi Master. All other forms of revelation manifest only *transformed vibrations*, only *part of the Force*. *The Jedi Master is a sentient being, who is in total union with the Force. He is supremely conscious; no part of him is unconscious. It is only the Jedi Master who can solely experience and master the Jedi Illuminata.*

Only sentient beings have this ability to master and to radiate all seven octaves of vibration within the Force, as the nerve centers corresponding to the seven octaves of transformed and untransformed creative power, which exist within his nervous system. On the other hand, one is only able to radiate on the levels on which he has become conscious, because until he becomes conscious on a given level, the corresponding nerve centers remain in a latent condition. Thus, the average being will radiate vibrations up to the fourth plane, but it is the Force that *enhances* a being's potential to become a Jedi. This enhancement of the Force-sensitive nature is what signals a potential Jedi. It is with this enhancement that the skills as a Jedi can be nurtured and trained, especially in the skills of control, sense and alter. Once an *enhanced being* is noticed, he can then be trained in these skills: control skill, for mastering inner forces within him as a Jedi candidate; sense skill, for mastering the force energy electromagnetic fields that lie beyond his physical existence; and, alter skill, for the mastery of manipulating the force fields for the benefit of good, like moving objects, creating

mental illusions, and changing perceptions in others. One is a Padawan up to the fifth octave, a Jedi Knight up to the sixth octave, and it is the Jedi Master, who is able to consciously radiate all seven octaves and to radiate the Force's power, according to his own will, which would naturally be in accordance to the

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Force's will. He would be able to radiate it in its untransformed form or to transform it, to change it, and transmit it into lower (transformed) frequencies.

The Force can be a blessing or a curse. It depends on who uses it. A Jedi Master is able to radiate, in any desired degree, all forces held within the Force. He is also able to transmit the radiation corresponding to *every plane*. The Force-user can, dependent on his ability and according to the will of the user, transmit untransformed radiations, either diminished or amplified as desired by the user. A Jedi, depending on his ability, can transmit the highest forces to the lowest ultra-material forces, with himself as the transmitting instrument. His own being possesses all these forces held within the Force, and can consciously transmit them through his being *outward* through his Force skills. But it is the wise Jedi that uses wisdom, and not power, to bring forth change. The less one uses the Force, the more wisdom he has attained to transmute situations gracefully, rather than heavily. Out of the whole gamut of these vibrations, the Jedi with his organs of sense can perceive only a part. Vibrations either above or below this part are ones he can only experience as an emotional condition. Thus, for example, he experiences the very highest frequencies of the Force as universal love. On the other hand, the very lowest frequencies, those of *ultra matter*, are lower than those frequencies that our eyes and sensory nerves perceive as matter. As they exist outside our scale of sensory perception, we experience them in our emotions as hate. These are the dark forces at hand and should be cautioned against. A Jedi will always use the Force properly and always radiate the Force needed to create something good ... a blessing. The

ultra material vibration he will use, when necessary, is an invisible, insulating, impenetrable protective wall. With the Force, a Jedi can dominate all forces of nature, amplify them or neutralize them.

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Chosen One, this information is a blessing only in the hands of a wise and knowing Jedi. Know and remember this: *love means life*, and *hate means death*. Equally one is of the light side and the other the dark side of the Force. *What will your path be?*



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# Phases of Jedi Mastery

## *Evolutionary Phases in Mastering the Force*

AS MEMBERS of the Jedi High Council, we recognize that there is a great probability for your students to come to you from the general populace of the Universe. We therefore felt it necessary for you to have available the following phases to assist you in assessing the progress of yourself and others on the path of a Jedi in becoming a Jedi Master. This is to assist you and future Jedi:

- in knowing where one is going.
- on one's path as a future Jedi instructor and/or Padawan.
- in using discrimination on one's path.
- in knowing that there is a purpose for one's existence as a Jedi. •  
in one's personal progress toward enlightenment.

### Phase One

A being realizes that there is *something* unique and different about him compared to others, but he lacks an understanding of what that is. We won't call him a Jedi, because he is a Force-sensitive in the raw and needs refinement. He senses *something*, but is confused what that *something* is. He may even just prefer to ignore his sensitivity to that *something*. He may have a strong self image, but for the most part his belief system is lacking any understanding of his unusualness, let alone the unusualness of the Force's existence within him. He

will more often than not have an attitude when situations don't work to his benefit of "never cry over spilt milk" followed by "pull yourself up by the bootstraps." More often than not, he will feel he can overcome his handicaps and achieve a degree of success by sheer sweat, strain and personal willpower, not knowing he's connected with the Force. A being at this phase will blame life for his failings. Unfortunately, you will find that his mind will hold many negative traits, such as manipulating, retaliating against, dehumanizing, invalidating and so on, not only others, but also himself. He will probably doubt everything except his own perceived and contrived beliefs and imaginary foundations of those beliefs, due to him not understanding the Force residing within his being.

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## **MASTERY LEVEL:**

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### **Phase Two**

A Jedi is beginning to develop the understanding of the Force on an intellectual level. Here, he will approve of the idea of the Force generating from life as well as creating life itself. He will start to grasp the Force within his being, as well as externally throughout the Universe. He will start to see a pattern of

perfection that is inherent in the Force and the Force's will. Here is where it is imperative for a Jedi to meditate on the Jedi Code. Much of what he will connect with will be theoretical and without much verifiable inquiry yet, though he will have a strong interest in the Jedi techniques and teachings. His mind, as well as his very being, is beginning to open up to the Force within him and the wonderment it affords. He is fascinated by his new discoveries.

### **Phase Three**

A Jedi begins to feel more subjective and personal about the Force. He starts to realize, on an intellectual level still, that what he sees is not all there is to life or the Force. He will have a *strong* tendency to develop his "mind power," which is basically using a mental approach to the Force and life, with very little guidance from the Force. The ego will have a strong tendency to run amok in its newfound glory that it feels he can get with using the Force for power, but without the true connection with the Force. He will more than likely have a mystical attitude coming across with a demeanor of "I know something special" or "I am something special." This obviously results in an exaggerated ego and a deluded reality of the Force, but his evolution is coming in due course. It's the way of the

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Force for it to be so. You will feel like prompting the Force to expedite his path, due to his self-grandiosity concerning what "particular good," "demonstrative feat," or "latest insight" he has accomplished. Here, a Jedi will usually spend too much time gloating over his new discoveries, and not enough time just being with the Force. The key is for him to learn containment within the will of the Force – to *actively* contemplate, *actively* learn and *actively* apply the auspicious characteristics. At this point, it is very important for a Force-user to have a Jedi Master to assist him to further his path. Though you have no physical Jedi

Master, we are your Jedi Masters, and we will assist you on your path to ensure your mastery of the Force and the wisdom it contains innately within. As a Jedi Master, you will offer potential Jedi proper preparation not only with the Force, but also with their path toward enlightenment.

## Phase Four

A Jedi Master must keep in mind that as his Padawan enters into Phase Four, it must be done with great care, because it is in this stage of awareness that many will experience great difficulty. Here, the dark side's whispers become stronger, lurking in the shadows, tempting him with the quick and easy path to have power over a situation, rather than to understand the situation and the Force's will. While the dark side is seemingly stronger, the dark side is only easier. It consists of destructive impulses toward all that exists, for personal gain. It contains anger, contempt, fear, hatred and aggression, which corrupt a Jedi's path toward enlightenment. Here is where the Jedi Code becomes invaluable. It must be indelibly imprinted not only in his mind, but also within his heart. A Phase Four Jedi will start experiencing paranormal events he didn't

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experience prior, because the Force is responding to the engagement of the Jedi's willingness to surrender to its will. He must not become overly confident and lose his surrender and humbleness, *thus* making errors in his observations, which can plunge his mind into, "How could this possibly have happened?" Again, to curb this, a Jedi Master, one who has traveled the path, is necessary. The Jedi Master will support his Padawan in the gaining of *wisdom*, not powers.

## Phase Five

A Jedi's consciousness is directed toward the Force and its will over fifty one percent of the time. Just as the clouds of illusion seem to part and more sunshine than ever penetrates one's reality, the mystery of the Force becomes more apparent. There is more harmony, and things seem to be a heartfelt right for him. The exceptional heights of sudden wonderment and the deep valleys of futility experienced in Phase Four have passed, and there is more stability in his devotion toward the Force. The marvels and wonders continue, but they are recognized as natural and not limited to the Force's ever-changing existence throughout the Universe. His devotion is being enhanced. The road of a Phase Five is straight and narrow, and if he is not careful, his mind can have a strong tendency to race heavily out of control, backsliding to a Phase Four due to the influences of the dark side. Here is where a Jedi Master is essential to assist and guide his Padawan onto the Force's path which is pure, simplistic and unifying, to fulfill his destiny as a true Jedi. It is during Phase Five that a firm and definitive commitment is made, a covenant of sanctification with the Force. It is also here that he becomes willing to sacrifice his physical being for the Force.

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## Phase Six

A Jedi is beginning to learn to be a devout Padawan of the Force as well as of his Jedi Master. It is the dying of the old beliefs and fallacies. The Jedi will



feel a reprieve of sorts, creating a reality of living a second life in one life cycle. This stage only knows the committed life of living as a Jedi in accordance to the Jedi Ways. He will experience more of a union with the Force. Very little work is done at this phase, as much as renouncing one's being to the Force's will. His inner knowing of the Force is becoming established to become an instructor of the Force himself. He becomes willing to become an extension of the Force's knowledge, wisdom and action.

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## **LEVEL OF MASTERY:**

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## Phase Seven

A Jedi is quickly placed into work according to the Force's needs, and his strengths. His focus is to get his being to the highest standard of a Jedi and the Force's vision for himself. There is a greater deal of selfless service toward the Force and the Universe. Here, a Jedi knows that he cannot use the Force against others without using it against himself. Here, he ideally lives as a servant of the Force, unconditionally. He starts becoming established in infinite wisdom and knowledge of the Force, taking on a Padawan Learner. True to tradition - one teacher, one student maintains balance; though there are times through history where there were exceptions.

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## LEVEL OF MASTERY:

## Phase Eight

While a Jedi Knight is concerned with selfless service outwardly, and is still seeking enlightenment, a Jedi Master has attained enlightenment. Full comprehension of the Code is one of the keys to unlocking a Jedi's mastery of the Force, as well as his full experience of the Jedi Illuminata. It is due to this that a Jedi lives, studies and applies the Code. It is the path to enlightenment.

Here, a Jedi Master must also realize that it is only through the will and participation of a Padawan, like he once was, that Phase Eight could be attained.

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# Jedi Protocol

## *A JEDI'S CONDUCT*

**AS THE FORCE** guides and brings those strong in the Force to you for you to teach, as with the original beginnings of the Jedi, there is a protocol necessary for those learning the Ways of the Force for the teachings to be learned most effectively.

Remember, the Jedi are gifted with being Force-sensitive and that brings a heavy, yet natural responsibility to one's existence as a Jedi. The Force contains wisdom created from the beginning or birth of time and manifestation of existence. A Jedi learns to be always connected and resonating with this wisdom. It is the wisdom of the Force that makes a Jedi a Jedi, not the powers that the Force offers through its presence. The Force's wisdom is formless, yet exists in all things and in-between all things. A Jedi honors and upholds the sacredness of the Force. He comes to know life on the Force's terms - *unconditionally*. The Force becomes a Jedi's lover in life as life itself, thus he becomes one with the Force. In doing so, a Jedi is never separate from the Force. A Jedi, being connected with the wisdom of the Force, is also connected with eternity. A Jedi understands that he is connected with the universal existence ... a phenomenon all its own. Thereby, he too is a phenomenon, along with his eternal wisdom.

The Jedi Teachings are centered on one's existence with this Force phenomenon within. And when one is focused and present with the Force, one

becomes stronger and stronger. What keeps a being from manipulating the Force and its power for good or bad? This is why Jedi Protocol exists. It assists in containing a Jedi Learner so he can learn effectively and efficiently. You will also find that when a Jedi Learner attempts to balk at such containment, they are susceptible to the dark side of the Force, and must be guided in such inner rallies. As we have taught earlier, when one is strongly centered and pulsating with the Force – like a Jedi Master – one can control their thoughts and feelings, and thus their conditions and situations. In truth, it is one's selfless dedication to the Force that allows this phenomenon to occur.

At first, we foresee, that people will come to you with *strong* opinions – likes and dislikes. This is because they will be older in age and life will have already pressed its imprint upon their being. In the beginning, the first Jedi found this to be true, but eventually people would bring, or the Jedi would come across, an infant who was Force-sensitive. According to our codes, we would not admit any being past the age of six months, except once and we have paid dearly for this. Use your wisdom as it grows, to discern. Those who come will have much confused thinking - many likes, many dislikes and so on. However, when one does the Jedi Meditations, Calming Techniques, etc. and starts to apply the Ways of the Force, one's mind will become clearer and clearer or darker and darker with time. A Jedi knows that with a clear mind and a calm center, the use of the Force is not for his pleasure or to give him a good feeling through wielding power, but to make one's direction clear. Since the Force contains both the light side and the dark side, one is always susceptible to both. The dark side is the most seductive path derived out of selfishness. It is easy and has no regard for life. It insures inner suffering for himself and issues outward suffering to others.

Once enlightenment for a Jedi has been attained, he is no longer susceptible to the dark side, yet sees it clearly for what it is – *bondage*.

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Our greatest advice to you and the future Jedi Learners is to have forbearing patience for the Ways of the Force and its teachings. Remember, you are connected with the Force. It is your ally. Trust it. Rely on it. The Force will tell you what needs to be done. All you have to do is live the will of the Force and others will follow suit. Their suffering will disappear and peace, knowledge and serenity, which lie within the Force, will naturally manifest. It is a Jedi's natural state. If a Jedi is capable of maintaining this state of mind, what the Force has a Jedi become is endless. A Jedi's perceived identity falls away to his destiny. Then he will know the greatest wisdom of all. This is a Jedi living at his fullest. Even though a Jedi never knows when the Force is going to bestow enlightenment upon him, a Jedi must remember he is meant to live in the Force, which is synonymous to him being meant to live in the light, hence the term enlightenment. This, in truth, is the wisdom it affords and is the ultimate prize for a Jedi. The Ways of the Force are simple. Any experience of living the Force will unquestionably ring the bell of affirming the Jedi's destiny.

The following guidelines will help maintain and preserve the teachings of the Ways of the Force, along with assisting the Padawans in their learning from Jedi Knights and Masters.

## **1. A Jedi Keeps One-pointed Focus**

A Jedi focuses on the Force within and behind all creation. It is the Force that compels and propels all things into existence and maintains that very same existence. It is the cosmic intelligence behind all that we experience, holding and binding, while connecting and threading everything into perfect balance. Though a Jedi may not understand it, he knows that it is indeed a power higher than lies beyond his own perceived reality, and therefore deserves his renunciation and honor.

A Jedi knows and senses that a true Jedi honors and accepts this Force, which is within everything and everyone. Thereby, he also knows there is no differentiation between species, intergalactic races, gender, cultures, etc. A Jedi's duty is to the universality of the Force and maintaining balance from a non dualistic embodiment while living in a dualistic universe. Jedi are in service to the Force. They know the Force is derived from life itself and rests within everyone and everything. In this, a Jedi regards the Force as permanent and unmoving. Therefore, a Jedi receives direct transmission of the Force, free of all perceived constraints.



## 2. A Jedi is Mindful

It is wise for a Jedi not to cling to his opinions. The Force is strong within the Jedi Master and he can assist a Padawan in gaining wisdom. If a Jedi clings to and defends his opinions, it will destroy his attempt to gain wisdom and inner peace. Though Jedi live through non-dualism, they also understand the dualistic ramifications built through desire, anger, and ignorance. Thereby, a Jedi is always mastering patience as the Force reveals its wisdom. It is through this practice that a Jedi becomes a living embodiment of the Force's wisdom, which is unshakeable due to experience, not excessive reading or talking. It is the Force's transmission and the Jedi's transmutation of the illusory perceptions, toward becoming a vehicle of the Force, which is instrumental in attaining enlightenment. To be a Jedi is to be a participatory and active partner engaged wholly with the Force.

### 3. A Jedi's Conduct

A Jedi does not put himself above others by acting differently. A Jedi honors everyone equally in the Force, yet reveres those who are wiser than he. Arrogance is a distasteful trait and shows one's ignorance. A Jedi does not cling to Jedi wisdom with his mind, but with his heart. He lives it. A Jedi's presence should be in constant peace and reflection in the Force. A Jedi masters the **Jedi Auspicious Character Traits**.

#### **Auspicious Character Traits**

- ③ A Jedi is humble.
- ③ A Jedi is willing to let others go ahead of him.
- ③ A Jedi is courteous.
- ③ A Jedi has good manners stemmed from humility and

concern for others.

- ③ A Jedi is good-natured.
- ③ A Jedi is calm.
- ③ A Jedi is always inwardly acknowledging the wonder he feels for the Force and the life from which it generates.
- ③ A Jedi is willing to give another credit.
- ③ A Jedi lives honestly with life, never seeking a false life.
- ③ A Jedi wishes no ill on anyone.
- ③ A Jedi believes in himself and in others.
- ③ A Jedi is obedient to the will of the Force.
- ③ A Jedi does not indulge in dramatic expositions.
- ③ A Jedi is loyal.
- ③ A Jedi is courageous.
- ③ A Jedi realizes every situation has a different solution as willed by the Force.
- ③ A Jedi does not curse life.
- ③ A Jedi honors his physical existence.
- ③ A Jedi does not over-indulge.
- ③ A Jedi lives life in full integrity.
- ③ A Jedi knows what is enough.
- ③ A Jedi can cheerfully do without.
- ③ A Jedi is willing to look within himself to find error.

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- ③ A Jedi is true to what he believes.
- ③ A Jedi is gentle.
- ③ A Jedi is able to make decisions and to act on them.
- ③ A Jedi is reverent.
- ③ A Jedi carries on his teaching activity.
- ③ A Jedi is willing to take the blame.
- ③ A Jedi does not have to prove anything.
- ③ A Jedi is content within himself.
- ③ A Jedi honors his paranormal Force-given talents.
- ③ A Jedi is dependable.
- ③ A Jedi is aware of danger.
- ③ A Jedi is certain of his right to be here.
- ③ A Jedi is certain of the right of others to be here.
- ③ A Jedi is aware that the Universe is unfolding as it should.
- ③ A Jedi is generally serene.
- ③ A Jedi follows the Jedi Creed.
- ③ A Jedi follows the Jedi Code.

- ③ A Jedi laughs easily.
- ③ A Jedi can cry.
- ③ A Jedi is all right with himself if another wins.
- ③ A Jedi's happiness for another's happiness is sincere.
- ③ A Jedi's sorrow for another's sorrow is sincere.
- ③ A Jedi has no hidden agendas.
- ③ A Jedi is not in want.
- ③ A Jedi makes use of what the Universe provides without inhibitions.
- ③ A Jedi honors everyone.
- ③ A Jedi pays attention to detail without becoming obsessed.
- ③ A Jedi is conscientious.
- ③ A Jedi values everyone.
- ③ A Jedi is optimistic.
- ③ A Jedi is trustworthy.
- ③ A Jedi is patient.
- ③ A Jedi knows the value of silence.
- ③ A Jedi is peaceful.
- ③ A Jedi is generous.
- ③ A Jedi is considerate.
- ③ A Jedi is fair.
- ③ A Jedi is courageous in the face of fear.
- ③ A Jedi is clean.
- ③ A Jedi is tidy.

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- ③ A Jedi does not shirk his duties.
- ③ A Jedi expects things to turn out well.
- ③ A Jedi is always seeking to benefit others in some way.
- ③ A Jedi's presence has a calming effect.
- ③ A Jedi is not attached to material things.
- ③ A Jedi is not attached to situations.
- ③ A Jedi sees obstruction as opportunity.
- ③ A Jedi sees opposition as a signpost for deep reflection and evaluation.
- ③ A Jedi sets a good example.
- ③ A Jedi is peaceful at heart.
- ③ A Jedi takes thought for the future, but not at the expense of the present moment.
- ③ A Jedi always feels he has enough.
- ③ A Jedi has good manners.

- ③ A Jedi obtains nothing by force.
- ③ A Jedi obtains everything by the will of the Force.
- ③ A Jedi does not become obsessed about others' mistakes affecting him.
- ③ A Jedi has greatness in spirit.
- ③ A Jedi accepts that there are no accidents or coincidences within situations occurring, and that everything is happening in perfect order as willed by the Force.
- ③ A Jedi is clear-headed.
- ③ A Jedi does more than his share without attachment for acknowledgement.
- ③ A Jedi is selfless.
- ③ A Jedi knows to look to the Force to find strength in the face of adversity.
- ③ A Jedi meets life as if it is the Force itself.
- ③ A Jedi rests when it is time to rest; acts when it is time to act.
- ③ A Jedi feels no bitterness or vendetta.
- ③ A Jedi is forgiving.
- ③ A Jedi does not pretend to be what he is not.
- ③ A Jedi is not cynical.
- ③ A Jedi studies, contemplates and applies the wisdom of the Force.
- ③ A Jedi reveres all Jedi Masters – past, present and future.
- ③ A Jedi is inspiring.
- ③ A Jedi nourishes nature.
- ③ A Jedi leaves things or situations better than he found them.

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- ③ A Jedi does not make a show.
- ③ A Jedi practices goodness.
- ③ A Jedi is simple.
- ③ A Jedi's intentions are always beneficial for the whole.
- ③ A Jedi is a wellspring of determination.
- ③ A Jedi does not boast.
- ③ A Jedi produces long lasting effects.
- ③ A Jedi has endurance.
- ③ A Jedi has vigilance.
- ③ A Jedi is flexible in his thinking.

- ③ A Jedi does not overreach himself, except where the Force has guided.
- ③ A Jedi does not strive foolishly.
- ③ A Jedi is consistent.
- ③ A Jedi lives a simple life.
- ③ A Jedi promotes purity.
- ③ A Jedi nurtures his good qualities and virtues without attachment.
- ③ A Jedi is sensitive to his inner prompting with the Force.
- ③ A Jedi exists in the present moment.
- ③ A Jedi feels no break with time or space.
- ③ A Jedi is cautious.
- ③ A Jedi is kind.
- ③ A Jedi holds his duty to the Force in his mind, allowing no opposing thoughts to enter and as a result of natural law, is compelled inexorably to the Force's destiny for himself.
- ③ A Jedi seeks enlightenment.
- ③ A Jedi asserts discrimination and discernment as needed. ③
- A Jedi knows what is real to what is unreal through the Force.
- ③ A Jedi is careful of his words and actions, knowing he is reflected in them.
- ③ A Jedi does not use false flattery.
- ③ A Jedi depends on the Force for his inner peace.
- ③ A Jedi feels secure.
- ③ A Jedi knows the truth of his existence.
- ③ A Jedi does not judge others, but patiently observes.
- ③ A Jedi realizes that there is nothing but the Force to understand and gain wisdom from.
- ③ A Jedi does not strive for wealth, fame, popularity or possessions.

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- ③ A Jedi does not complain.
- ③ A Jedi turns back immediately having discovered that he has strayed from the path of a superior person.
- ③ A Jedi lives every moment in the act of self-renewal of Spirit with the Force.

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## **4. A Jedi's Speech**

A Jedi is mindful of his speech. A Jedi only speaks when necessary. A Jedi

always speaks well and honestly, in the manner of a true Jedi. Be like the Jedi Masters. A Jedi does not use vulgar language. A Jedi does not lie, shade the truth, exaggerate, make trouble between two or more people, or curse others.

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## **5. A Jedi on Eating**



A Jedi eats with courtesy for others. A Jedi does not make unnecessary noises (lip smacking, loud munching, etc.). While eating, a Jedi attends only to himself. He does not concern himself with the actions of others. A Jedi accepts what is served with gratitude, he does not cling to his likes and dislikes. A Jedi does not seek satisfaction in eating, he eats only to support his body so that the Force may utilize him. A Jedi remembers that even though he may eat good food all his life, his body will eventually die. The Way of the Force is not difficult, just real.

## 6. A Jedi's Force Practice

During a Jedi's practice and meditation on the Force, he moves and acts with the Force in the presence of others. A Jedi is not lazy. During meditation, instruction and so on, a Jedi follows the lead of the Jedi Knights and Masters. A Jedi observes the true meaning of the Force in meditation and the formal teachings of the Jedi Masters, and acts accordingly. Since those in the new Jedi Order will have come at a late age, they must understand that they will have accumulated many life experiences not congruent with that of the Ways of the Force, and that they must keep this in mind, be open and allow the Jedi teachings to show the truth of its wisdom. A Jedi remembers the ramifications of his actions. Selfish desires have no true Force-nature, but are created by one's mind believing what is false to be true and what is true to be false. It is because of this that a Jedi's Force practice is so *very* important. It will extinguish the extinguishable, and illumine with fire that which is eternal ~ the Force. The Jedi bow to that of the Force and its will within all things and beings. This is the same Force that penetrates and permeates the entire Universe to which a Jedi carries an innate obligation and responsibility.

## **7. A Jedi Listens to the Jedi Masters, Life and the Force**

When listening to the words of a Jedi Master, a Jedi keeps his mind clear and his heart open. He is not attached to the words, but allows them to illumine what he has yet to understand. A Jedi cuts off the mind's thoughts of meaning and allows the Jedi Master's transmission within the words to carry the true meaning to pierce through his ignorance.

A Jedi does not think, "I already have a great understanding. I have no use for this discourse." A Jedi realizes this is delusion. One who is enlightened will sit and remain with another enlightened being for an eternity without uttering a word of resistance. The Force is the Force and is not in conflict with the Force. One ocean does not battle with another ocean as to which has the better sea salt content.

A Jedi makes sure his questions are of benefit for everyone, and not just for himself. He does not allow self-interests to take up precious time with the Jedi Master and his fellow students.

A Jedi realizes that the Force creates life and death from one moment to the next. Therefore, a Jedi seeks to remain free and clear for the Force to flow through him. He seeks to become the Force itself, not to overpower it. A Jedi's inner goal is to become enlightened.

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I wish to dedicate *The Jedi Jewel* series to all seekers of the Jedi philosophy/religion/tradition, who are willing to look where others fear to tread. May these works deepen your connection to yourself, life and the Force here in this vast Universe as it really is.

Also, my personal thanks to George Lucas for following his dharma, and sharing with the world something worth living and following - Jedi. Namaste.

***May the Force be with you.***

**Master Maji**

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# THE NINEFOLD PATH

~ Abbreviated Version ~

In order to bring the teachings of the Jedi to the promising young Jedi, the Masters would have had the Apprentices observing the simple rules of right living. Here is the nine-point program, which would have sustained and contained a Jedi Apprentice on his path. This body of disciplines, which can enable one to fulfill the supreme goal of a Jedi's life, Enlightenment/Self-realization, can be followed by every person capable of some resolution, some endurance, and some sense of dedication. Please notice the nine "points" around the Jedi Gate of Wisdom of the picture on the website.

**1. Meditation.** First comes the practice of meditation. You begin by devoting half an hour every morning, as early as convenient to the practice of meditation. Do not increase this half-hour period, but if you want to meditate more, add half an hour in the evening also.

Have a room in your home for meditation, or a special corner, and keep it as austere as possible. A quiet, cool, well-ventilated room is best.

If you want to sit in a straight-back chair, one with arms is best; or sit cross legged on the carpet. Sit with the spinal column erect, and eyes gently closed. As concentration deepens you may begin to relax and fall asleep; if so, draw

yourself up and move away from the back support so that you can keep the spine, neck, and head in a straight line.

Have an inspirational passage memorized - Jedi Wisdom is great for this. Go through the words of the passage in your mind as slowly as you can, letting each word drop singly into your consciousness. Do not follow any association of ideas, but keep to the words of the inspirational passage. When distractions

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come, do not resist them, but try to give more and more attention to the words of the passage. If you find that your mind has wandered away completely, go back to the first word of the passage and begin again. Keep adding to your repertoire of inspirational passages to prevent dryness in meditation.

The secret of meditation is that you become what you meditate on. When you use the Jedi Wisdom in meditation, you are driving the words of wisdom deeper and deeper into your consciousness, so that one day, perhaps after many years, they will become an integral part of your consciousness.

**2. *Japam*.** Japam is the silent repetition of the mantram in the mind. The popular etymology of the Sanskrit word *mantram* is from *manas*, 'mind,' and *tri*, 'to cross over' so meaning, "that which enables us to cross the tempestuous sea of the mind." Even though every religion has its mantram, for a Jedi it would be "The Force rests within the heart of all."

When you are angry, afraid, or anxious, repeat the mantram to still the agitation rising in your mind. Anger and fear lead to the dark side and are a power which rises within us. By the repetition of the Jedi mantram we can put anger and fear

to work, harnessing them for the benefit of ourselves and others, rather than allowing them to use us destructively.

At bedtime, repeat the Jedi mantram in your mind until you fall asleep. In the morning you will feel refreshed in body and mind.

Whenever you get a moment, while waiting for a bus or while walking, use this time to repeat the Jedi mantram. Boredom is a great source of problems to people who do not know what to do with their time.

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The mind is very much like the restless trunk of an elephant. In India, elephants often walk in religious processions which wind through streets of the town on their way to the temple. The trunk of the elephant is a restless thing, always moving, and as the temple elephant is taken through the narrow streets of the bazaar, it is usually tempted by coconuts, bananas, and other produce displayed in the stalls on either side. As it walks, if the shopkeeper doesn't watch, it picks up the coconut and puts it in its mouth. There is a loud crack, and that is the last of the coconut. Then, from the next stall it takes a whole bunch of bananas. It doesn't peel them, but just puts the whole bunch inside, and it's gone. But the wise mahout, the man in charge of the elephants, knows their habits, so as the processions begin he gives the elephant a short bamboo stick to hold in its trunk. The elephant holds the bamboo firmly and walks through the streets without confiscating anyone's property.

This is what we do when we repeat the Jedi mantram: we slowly give a mantram - stick to the mind. Gradually, this makes a Jedi's mind firm, secure, steadfast, and resistant to tension.

**3. *Slowing down.*** Millions in our modern world suffer because they are constantly pushed and hurried. Hurry makes us tense and causes us to make mistakes and do a poor job. The remedy for hurrying is to get up earlier, so that we can begin the day without tension and set a slow, leisurely pace for the day. When we concentrate and slow down we do not make mistakes. Such are the ways of the Jedi.

**4. *One-pointedness.*** The practice of meditation is a systematic exercise in concentration, which will finally become a permanent, spontaneous state. It is a

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great aid to meditation if you practice being one-pointed with your focus throughout your day.

**5. *Sense restraint.*** This does not mean sense-negation or sense-denial, but training the senses by exercising discriminating restraint in our choice of movies, television programs, books, magazines, and foods. The training of the senses takes a long time, but finally it will enable us to have mastery over our deepest drives, our strongest powers.

**6. *Putting others first.*** When we go after our own pleasure and profit, dwelling on ourselves and ignoring the needs of those around us, we are constricting our consciousness and stunting our growth as Jedi. A Jedi who is driven by anger is full of self-will and cannot put another first. Seldom do they have lasting



relationships; seldom are they able to live at peace with themselves and with those around them. But it is the Jedi who has little or no self-will who is secure and by his calmness and steadfastness is able to help those who are agitated to become calm. A Jedi is patient, enduring and forgiving.

**7. Studying the Jedic ways.** Study what the Jedi are about. Recognize that all beings reside in the Force, as well as the Force having created a multitude of mystics who taught the ways of the Jedi, but under the guidelines and terms used in other religions/traditions. All knowledge is within, and the practice of meditation enables us to draw upon this knowledge. Through carefully selected

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spiritual reading we can be inspired by the spiritual awareness of the mystics of all religions and ages.

**8. Association with other Jedi.** This is termed sangha or Satsang. It is the meeting of other Jedi-oriented people. It is of great importance for the Jedi to draw inspiration from others who have a great understanding of the Jedic ways. It is a difficult task to practice meditation for many years, day in and day out, and we all need the support and companionship of people with similar beliefs meditating together.

**9. Selfless Service of a Jedi to the Force.** Selfless service for a Jedi consists of two words: action and union. Selfless service for a Jedi does not mean all

kinds of actions, but only those actions which are conducive to the Force's will. A true Jedi is in union with the Force continually. A Jedi's actions are performed for the good of others, with the spirit of selflessness. But a Jedi must remember and understand, that simply performing action without self-interest, but with a shallow heart, is not the spirit of a Jedi, nor is it in the spirit of the Force's will. A Jedi performs his duty with compassion and enthusiasm.

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If we want to make the discovery of what it is to be a Jedi, then we must follow these simple rules of right living and practicing meditation regularly. We can learn to fulfill the supreme goal of life, which is to live in the Jedic truth that the Force, which a Jedi is eternally bound to, rests within all and binds all.